

Approved Minutes
Art and Architectural Review Board
June 7, 2024, at 10:00am
Old City Hall, Conference Room #115
1001 E Broad St, Richmond, VA 23219

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

10:02am **1.1 CALL TO ORDER**
Board Members Present: Lynden Garland, Chair, Rebecca Deeds, Vice-Chair; Megan Melinat; Anne Smith; Anca Lipan; and Jill Nolt.
DGS Staff Present: Jessica Hendrickson and Kimberly Freiberger

1.2 PUBLIC COMMENT
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Department of General Services.
None

1.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion for Approval of Meeting Minutes from the May 3, 2024, meeting:
Motion: Jill Nolt
Second: Rebecca Deeds
Vote: 6-Y 0-N

1.4 OTHER BUSINESS
None

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

10:10am **2.1 Department of Military Affairs / SWVA Regional Readiness Center Modernization, Vaults**
(Final Approval)
The existing building was originally constructed as a motor vehicle repair garage serving the adjacent race car facility. The project is to convert the existing metal building into (3) arms vaults to the current standards listed in the AR 190-11 and NG PAM 415-12. The vaults will be outfitted with conduit and boxes to house intrusion detection equipment. The actual intrusion detection equipment will be installed post construction by others. Schematics showing the required vault boxes will be included with these documents. The facility will be broken into two spaces: the vaults will occupy approximately half of the building. The remaining building will be used as O&M space for the campus. The scope of work includes a new HVAC unit and ductwork. The exterior of the building will be modified to infill some existing door openings and create two new 4-foot personnel doors. Included in the design as an additive bid item is the renovation of an existing storage shed that will be renovated into a weapons cleaning shed. Heating and ventilation will be provided in the weapons cleaning shed additive bid item. Cooling will not be provided.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not reviewed this and does need to review this unless Federal agency involvement necessitates Section 106 review or review is required by another state agency.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.2 Virginia Community College – Blue Ridge Truck Driving Range

(Final Approval)

Single-story, 680 square foot support office and restroom for the Truck Driving Instruction Range. Featuring simple forms and materials composed of a standing-seam gable roof and supporting walls clad in campus-standard buff brick.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has reviewed this, and no historic resources will be impacted.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.3 Virginia Tech / Hay Storage at Shenandoah Valley Agricultural Research and Extension Center

(Final Approval)

This project proposes a 40-feet by 60-feet, pre-engineered hoop barn structure to be installed atop a gravel bed at the Shenandoah Valley Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Raphine, Virginia. The structure consists of metal truss framing connected to a concrete base with a coated fabric outer layer to protect hay in inclement weather.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not received this for review and will need to review this. McCormick Farm and Workshop is listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and Virginia Landmarks Register (VLR) and is therefore subject to the Appropriations Act, which requires DHR review for work within a resource listed in the VLR. Virginia Tech has reached out to DHR and is in the process of submitting this project for review.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.4 County of Roanoke, Department of Planning /Bus Shelter Southbound Rt. 419

(Final Approval)

Installation of a single-story 14-foot-wide bus shelter on an existing 15.5-foot-wide and 15.75-foot-deep concrete pad for existing Valley Metro Route 52. Along with the installation of an ADA accessible bus shelter with tinted roof, amenities will include a bench and trash receptacle. The bus shelter will have a 12-volt, 60-watt Polycrystalline Solar Panel and Lexan top.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – If there is any federal agency involvement, such as funding or permitting from the Federal Transit Authority or Federal Highway Administration, Section 106 review will be required and DHR would need to review this.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.5 Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) / Brasco Bus Shelter

(Final Approval)

PRTC is seeking approval for the Brasco Slimline Series (model# SL-0612-C) bus shelter design for installation at various bus stops in Prince William County currently in VDOT's right-of-way. If the Brasco Slimline Series, model# SL-0612-C, bus shelter design is approved for use in VDOT's right-of-way in Prince William County, PRTC will install the bus shelter at various bus stops within the Prince William County area. The bus shelter installations will replace existing bus shelters that are beyond their useful life.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – If there is any federal agency involvement, such as funding or permitting from the Federal Transit Authority or Federal Highway Administration, Section 106 review will be required and DHR would need to review this.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.6 Fort Monroe Authority / Roof Repairs

(Preliminary Approval)

The project consists of the select repairs to and replacement of roofs at eight existing buildings – 003, 016, 018, 061, 103, 129, 157, and 158. The existing roofing materials include asphalt shingle, standing seam metal, flat-seamed metal, and EPDM. New roofing materials include asphalt shingle, standing or seamed metal, flat-seamed copper or zinc-coated copper, and single-ply membrane. These are selected to match existing materials in-kind or are of a modern material that is consistent with the original historic roofing materials. Select repairs to or replacement of damaged downspouts gutter, soffits, fascia, rafters will match the existing materials in-kind. All flashings will be replaced, and chimney brick mortar repointed per The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties as well as guidance provided within Preservation Brief 2, Repointing Mortar Joints in Historic Masonry Buildings and Brief 4, Roofing for Historic Buildings.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not received this and will need to review this.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to move from preliminary approval stage to final approval stage: Jill Nolt

Second: Anca Lipan

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

Motion to approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.7 Old Dominion University / Convert ODU Inn into a Police Station

(Final Approval)

The project is the conversion of an existing (3) story, 25,600 GSF residence hall into a state-of-the-art police station.

The facility is a simple, slab-on-grade, wood-framed structure originally developed as a hotel, built in approximately 1989. This postmodern style, full-brick building features arched openings, a port cochere, and a sloped roof with asphalt shingles. Limited exterior renovations are anticipated to prepare the building to function as the police station for ODU.

The existing sloped roof asphalt shingle system along with gutters and downspouts will be removed and replaced in kind. All exterior windows will be replaced in the same shape/style with the capabilities to meet the requirements set forth by an “Essential Facility”. The port cochere will be removed and replaced with a streamlined entrance using the material palette of metal panels. The ODU color scheme will be utilized to help define this as an ODU public safety building.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not received this and does need to review this unless required by another agency.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.8 Virginia Department of Emergency Management / Dismantling and Removal of Cell Tower from VSP Property

(Final Approval)

Dismantle a 340' Guyed Tower. The tower will be deconstructed and removed from the property to include removal of all transmission lines, antennas, lighting, and related materials and equipment. The tower base, guy wires and anchors will be removed as well. Once removed, the ground will be returned to ground level/grade.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not reviewed this and does need to review this unless required by another agency.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.9 Department for the Blind and Vision Impaired / Renovate Library and Resource Center

(Final Approval)

Renovate the existing 52,000 gsf, single-story, steel framed, low sloped roof building on the Agency’s campus at Azalea Avenue in Henrico County, Virginia. The existing exterior walls of brick and EIFS will be cleaned and repaired. The existing exterior windows will be replaced with new, more energy efficient windows. A new building entry element is being added, which will more clearly define the main entrance of the building and allow for a proper entry vestibule condition. Other than the roof on the new addition, the existing roof will be unmodified, as it was replaced with a white EPDM membrane roof system in 2015.

The interior of the building is being completely renovated with new layout, finishes, lighting, HVAC system, and security measures. The function of the building is not being changed, however.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department received this for review on May 20, 2024 and will have comments out by June 18, 2024.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca Deeds

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

2.10 Department of Conservation and Recreation / DCR Ranger Residences, Various State Parks

(Final Approval)

Code Update of a prototypical Ranger Residence, which was previously approved by AARB under the 2010 VUSBC. Each Prototype residence is a 3-bedroom residence, approximately 1,575 square ft one story house with a sloped gabled roof, dimensional asphalt shingle roof, and stained board and batten siding and veneered foundation to match existing park residences. As the prototype residences will be used statewide, the color palette and foundation cladding will match existing park residences in exterior colors and finishes.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department will need additional information on the locations of the residences and the year(s) the residences were constructed in order to determine if review is required.

Other Board Comments: None

Motion to Approve: Jill Nolt

Second: Rebecca

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 Virginia Community College Systems / Northern Virginia Community College Medical Education Campus Expansion

(Final Approval)

Proposed addition to the NVCC College Medical Campus consisting of new construction for a 3-story building addition to the existing Campus Facility -fully sprinklered, non-combustible, Construction Type IB for existing and new construction. The proposed New Construction Consists of Approximately 34,000 gross square feet of programmed classrooms, learning spaces, and support spaces. The new addition will be equipped throughout with a fire alarm system in addition to the sprinkler system.

The new addition will house a virtual teaching emergency room (simulation only), classrooms, teaching lab spaces and associated storage and prep areas. There will also be student and faculty amenity spaces scattered throughout the 3 floors of the new addition. The exterior will feature a mixture of precast concrete panels, composite metal panels, window wall and masonry. The roof will be a low slope roof with parapet and a small PV array.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has reviewed this and determined that no historic resources will be impacted.

Other Board Comments: All previous board comments were addressed in the presentation and commended by the board.

Motion to for Final Approval as submitted: Jill Nolt

Second: Anne Smith

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

3.2 Virginia Community College Systems, Germanna Community College / AWS Community Workforce Accelerator

(Final Approval)

The Amazon Community Workforce Accelerator (CWA) is a modular training center focused on expanding educational opportunities for the trades that are necessary for transitioning to an electric economy. The project consists of a collection of modular and prefabricated components configured around a covered outdoor community space. The training center includes a 1500 sf high-performance modular classroom, two 40' long modified shipping containers, and a 3000-sf wood deck with heavy timber roof structure for weather protection. Each element is designed to be demountable and portable so that the training center can be relocated and reassembled as needed in Virginia.

Department of Historic Resources (DHR) – The Department has not received this and will need to review this if there is any ground-disturbing activity.

Other Board Comments:

- *Recommendation to make a shift on the Site Plan. Move the structure the furthest west it can go on the parking lot, more towards the central buildings.*
- *Consider maintaining the cool surface aspect of materials for the shipping containers, modular classroom, and roof.*
- *Recommendation to place the utility vault into the island.*

Motion to Approve with Board Comments: Jill Nolt

Second: Anca Lipan

Vote: 6-Y 0-N

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next AARB meeting will be held on Friday, July 12, 2024.

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED